

## DETECTIVE ON WITNESS STAND

Counsel for Schmitz and Ruef Has Small Success in Getting Answers.

## COURT RULES OTHERWISE

SLOW PROGRESS IN CONSPIRACY CASE.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—William J. Burns, the detective who has been gathering the evidence upon which the recent indictments found by the grand jury are based, was a witness today in the case of Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz and Abraham Ruef, charged with extortion. In answer to a question, the witness stated that for eighteen years he has been employed as a special agent of the interior department.

An attempt was made by Attorney Ach, for the defense, to show that Burns severed his connection with the government at the request of Special Prosecutor Heney, but the evidence was not admitted. The court also sustained the objections of the prosecution to questions concerning when Burns arrived in San Francisco, whether he knew James D. Phelan or Rudolph Spreckels, or whether he had received money from them. He stated, however, that he had received no money from Heney.

**Did Not Know Jurors.**  
In answer to further questions, he stated he had known Ruef for about three years. He stated he did not know Grand Jurors Gallagher, Dwyer or Young. In fact, he stated he knew none of the members of the grand jury except in a very casual way.

"I have," said the witness, "passed the time of day with some of them." "Is it not a fact that your sole reason for being in San Francisco is to aid the prosecution in securing indictments?" asked Ach.

The question was objected to and the objection sustained. Burns stated that he had been introduced to Grand Juror Sonntag, but had never discussed with him any of the matters under investigation by the grand jury. He had, he said, talked perhaps three or four times with Foreman, Oliver. Nothing was said about Ruef, Schmitz, Nicholas, Duffey or any of the witnesses.

## Hint of Conspiracy.

"Did you talk about a conspiracy to indict Mr. Ruef and Mayor Schmitz, or about a meeting between Fremont Older, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Heney and Mr. Hearst?"

"I never spoke to Mr. Phelan in New York in my life," spoke up Heney.

"Well," said Ach, "we'll leave your name out of it."

Burns told of a conversation he had with Jean Loupe, a restaurant man, at which time Loupe denied having paid Ruef for police protection.

"I told him," said Burns, "that I did not believe him. I said we knew the facts."

Burns was on the witness stand when court adjourned.

## NEW YORK HEARING ENDED.

New York, Dec. 20.—The hearing in the case of the state of Missouri against the Standard Oil company, the Waters-Pierce oil company and the Republic Oil company, which began here Tuesday, ended suddenly today. The hearing was opened here at the instance of the defendant companies to allow them to introduce testimony in rebuttal. The next hearing probably will be held in St. Louis.

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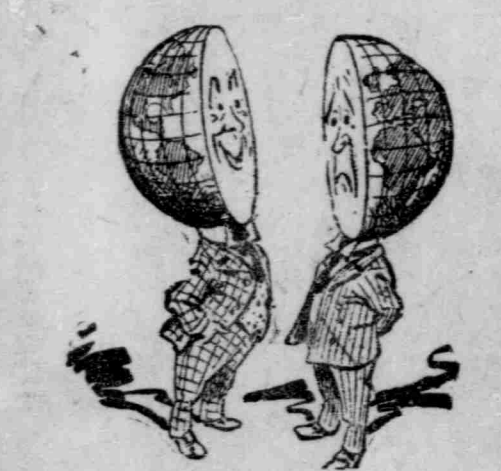
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## CURRENCY BILL IS AGREED UPON

Chairman Fowler Reports Measure Favored by Committee to the House.

## BANKS TO ISSUE MONEY

ALLEGED ADVANTAGES AS SET FORTH.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Chairman Fowler of the house committee on banking and currency submitted to the house today his report on the credit currency bill agreed upon by the committee. The report reiterates the committee's assertions that bank book credits are identical with banknote credits, and that it should be at the option of the depositor of a bank to say whether he shall have current credit of the bank or a book subject to his check. The report continues:

"Your committee asserts that it is immaterial whether the obligations of a bank are in the form of deposits subject to check or of credit bank notes, providing that the reserves are ample and the same amount is required for the protection of each. With the same freedom on the part of the bank to issue its credit notes that it has to accept deposits subject to check, it is the duty of a people to determine whether the deposits of a bank or its credit notes are the larger."

## Alleged Advantages.

The advantages of a credit currency are set forth by the report as follows: "It will lower and equalize rates of interest throughout the United States. It will make rates practically uniform throughout the year. It will give to the country districts as economical credit as the cities enjoy, where checks are chiefly used. It will give to people who use currency in their smaller purchases as economical credit as those who use checks in their larger transactions. It will make it possible for the banks generally to serve such of their customers as may want currency without disturbing their reserves to the great injury of other customers who have loans which must be paid before the currency can be advanced; for it is immaterial to a bank whether it owes a depositor or a note holder."

## Will Prevent Panic.

"It will almost invariably prevent panic and will always avert a ruinous crisis. If at any time contraction of credits becomes necessary because too much of the commercial fund has been diverted and transformed into the investment fund, a credit currency will facilitate liquidation without that destruction of values incident to a fixed quantity of currency such as we now have."

## GRAND JURY AT WORK.

Inquiry Into Methods of New York Life Insurance Company.

New York, Dec. 20.—George D. Perkins was the first witness before the grand jury today when the investigation into the concerns of the New York Life Insurance company was resumed.

Darwin H. Kingsley, vice president of the New York Life Insurance company, was examined at length regarding the so-called Prussian deal. The company, as the price of continuing to do business in Prussia, was compelled to charge off three blocks of stock which were not acceptable to the Prussian officials. The report sheet for the year filed with the insurance department of this state showed that this stock had been sold to the New York Security & Trust company, a subsidiary concern of the insurance company, for \$3,500,000. It is alleged that there was not a bona fide sale, the insurance company taking notes for the stock.

## LAW BEING VIOLATED.

Tulsa, I. T., Dec. 20.—All the oil and gas wells in the Osage nation, save three which would be injured by remaining idle, were shut down today by a deputy United States marshal, acting under instructions from the interior department. This action is the result of a recent investigation which disclosed that over 4,800 acres of oil land were being held under lease by one operator contrary to law.

## LIKE CIVILIZED NATIONS.

Nanking, China, Dec. 20.—About 2,000 Chinese soldiers from Nanking, armed with modern weapons, trained by European officers and accompanied by batteries of field artillery, have proceeded to the front to meet the rebels in the Ping Kiang district. General Hsieh, the commander of the troops, left this city yesterday.

## BIDS FOR BOX CARS.

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—The purchasing agent of the Pennsylvania railroad has invited bids for the construction of 5,000 box cars. The estimated cost is \$5,000,000. With the placing of this order the company will have ordered within the last two years nearly 60,000 additional freight cars.

## A Western Wonder.

There's a Hill at Bowie, Tex., that's twice as big as last year. This wonder is W. L. Hill, who from a weight of 90 pounds has grown to over 180. He says: "I suffered with a terrible cough, and doctors gave me up to die of consumption. I was reduced to 90 pounds, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Now, after taking 12 bottles, I have more than doubled in weight and am completely cured." Only sure, Cough and Cold cure. Guaranteed by Z. C. M. I. drug department. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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## ADJOURNED UNTIL JAN. 3

Few Members Present When the House Was Called to Order—Little Work Done.

Washington, Dec. 20.—After being in session three-quarters of an hour today the house adjourned until Jan. 3, 1907.

Empty desks greeted the speaker when the house convened, and the desire to get away for the holidays was superior to the inclination for business.

Representative Mondell of Wyoming succeeded in passing the bill extending the time in which entrymen may make final settlement on the Shoshone Indian reservation. While the bill was under consideration, Mr. Mann of Illinois, objected to the practice of congress, or rather the interior department, he said, opening Indian reservations under the lottery system. It seemed to him that the men who drew the prizes should be compelled to live up to the letter of the law. He seriously doubted whether the entrymen on these lands contemplated their retention, but believed that they hoped rather to make money out of their holdings, while the real settlers were placed at a disadvantage. He served notice that he would object to the extension of time in any reservation opening, insisting that the framers of a measure would have to take climatic considerations into question.

Then Representative Payne of New York called up his resolution relating to the distribution of the president's annual message to the several committees, in accordance with a custom that has existed since the foundation of the government. The house passed the resolution and adjourned for the Christmas holidays at 12:45 p. m.

A hundred members waited to extend the season's greetings to Speaker Cannon.

## FRAMING A CONSTITUTION.

Delegates to Oklahoma Convention Hold Night Session.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 20.—The constitutional convention as a committee of the whole devoted its time today to considering the report of the committee on county boundaries. Several bills occurred on the floor during the amending of counties to be formed from the Indian Territory, but for the most part the sessions of this morning and afternoon were featureless. The next session was held tonight to take up the counties in what is now Oklahoma proper.

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## STUDENTS EXPELLED.

Paris, Dec. 20.—The teachers and students of the famous St. Sulphre seminary here were expelled today. Among the students were a number of British subjects and one American, who read an energetic protest. He claimed that there under an agreement with the French government. The foreign students also announced their intention of ending the attention of the embassies to the action.

## VATICAN NOT SATISFIED.

Rome, Dec. 20.—A semi-official note issued by the Vatican today declared that the text of the new French government bill amending the church and state separation bill of 1905, and as the former regulations, "being a maximum of oppression with a minimum appearance," and aggravates the position of the church in everything without this being apparent to the general public.

## NOT FOUNDED UPON FACTS.

Colorado Springs, Dec. 20.—Governor Herbert J. Hagerman, governor of New Mexico, is spending the week in this city, having returned from his Washington trip. Governor Hagerman characterizes as "newspaper sensations" all reports to the effect that certain politicians of New Mexico have preferred charges against him or have asked President Roosevelt for his removal from office.

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**Mottled Gray California Blankets**  
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**Full Size Hand Knotted Comforts**  
Covered with a very fine drapery silkoline. Paisley designs, with pure white cotton filling. Value \$2.75. Friday at, each, **\$1.98**

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At Auerbach's Cloak Dept.—Dressing Sacques and Kimonos for Xmas Gifts.

THE \$2.00 KIND FOR 93 CENTS. Come and pick from a new stock of 300 dressing sacques and short kimonos, made of a soft fleeced flannelette, German outing flannel and ripple eiderdown, all neatly trimmed. Sizes for all. Garments worth up to \$2.00. On sale Friday only at **93c**

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**FRIDAY SPECIAL. Boys' Outing Flannel Waists** In dark colors, age 6 to 12 years; a splendid waist and good seller at 50c, to go Friday all day **32c**

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Americans Who Live Abroad Will Lose the Rights of Their Birth Under Proposed Law.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Recommendations for changes in the naturalization, expatriation and passport laws and regulations of the United States were submitted to congress today by a special commission designated by the state department to investigate the present laws in accordance with a request from the house committee on foreign affairs. The committee consisted of Dr. David Jayne Hill, United States minister to The Netherlands, and James B. Scott, solicitor, and Gaillard Hunt, chief of the passport bureau of the state department.

Revolutionary changes in the passport system are made; the status of American women marrying foreigners is defined; the citizenship of minor children is made clear, and provision is made for the expatriation of American citizens who live abroad indefinitely.

Under present laws a man who is once an American citizen is always an American citizen. The result has been many perplexing international difficulties, and especially in Turkey, where many men who have American nat-

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